#### §870.4475 Surgical vessel dilator.

- (a) *Identification.* A surgical vessel dilator is a device used to enlarge or calibrate a vessel.
- (b) *Classification*. Class II (performance standards).

### §870.4500 Cardiovascular surgical instruments.

- (a) *Identification*. Cardiovascular surgical instruments are surgical instruments that have special features for use in cardiovascular surgery. These devices include, e.g., forceps, retractors, and scissors.
- (b) *Classification.* Class I. The devices are exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.
- $[45\ FR\ 7907\text{--}7971,\ Feb.\ 5,\ 1980,\ as\ amended\ at\ 54\ FR\ 25049,\ June\ 12,\ 1989]$

# §870.4875 Intraluminal artery stripper.

- (a) *Identification.* An intraluminal artery stripper is a device used to perform an endarterectomy (removal of plaque deposits from arterisclerotic arteries.)
- (b) *Classification*. Class II (performance standards).

### § 870.4885 External vein stripper.

- (a) *Identification*. An external vein stripper is an extravascular device used to remove a section of a vein.
- (b) *Classification*. Class II (performance standards).

### Subpart F—Cardiovascular Therapeutic Devices

## § 870.5050 Patient care suction apparatus.

- (a) *Identification.* A patient care suction apparatus is a device used with an intrathoracic catheter to withdraw fluid from the chest during the recovery period following surgery.
- (b) Classification. Class II (performance standards).

### §870.5150 Embolectomy catheter.

(a) *Identification*. An embolectomy catheter is a balloon-tipped catheter that is used to remove thromboemboli, i.e., blood clots which have migrated in

blood vessels from one site in the vascular tree to another.

(b) *Classification*. Class II (performance standards).

#### §870.5175 Septostomy catheter.

- (a) *Identification*. A septostomy catheter is a special balloon catheter that is used to create or enlarge the atrial septal defect found in the heart of certain infants.
- (b) *Classification*. Class II (performance standards).

## §870.5200 External cardiac compressor.

- (a) *Identification*. An external cardiac compressor is an external device that is electrically, pneumatically, or manually powered and is used to compress the chest periodically in the region of the heart to provide blood flow during cardiac arrest.
- (b) *Classification*. Class III (premarket approval).
- (c) Date PMA or notice of completion of a PDP is required. No effective date has been established of the requirement for premarket approval. See §870.3.

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## §870.5225 External counter-pulsating device.

- (a) *Identification*. An external counter-pulsating device is a noninvasive device used to assist the heart by applying positive or negative pressure to one or more of the body's limbs in synchrony with the heart cycle.
- (b) Classification. Class III (premarket approval).
- (c) Date PMA or notice of completion of a PDP is required. No effective date has been established of the requirement for premarket approval. See §870.3.

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# §870.5300 DC-defribrillator (including paddles).

(a) Low-energy DC-defibrillator—(1) Identification. A low-energy DC-defibrillator is a device that delivers into a 50 ohm test load an electrical shock of a maximum of 360 joules of energy used for defibrillating (restoring